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SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Dear Parents

I hope you enjoyed reading my end-of-term letter, and I didn't expect to be writing to you again so soon!

As you must be aware, the Government has confirmed that when schools return on Monday 4 January 2021, only primary school students and those in Years 11 and 13 will be taught on site. Key-worker and vulnerable students may also return to school. All other students will be taught remotely during the first week of term.

Therefore, we plan for all students in the Junior Department to return to School and be taught in the usual way. Students in Year 6 will also return and be taught their timetable. Years 11 and 13 students will return and sit their Mock Examinations as planned. Year 12 Mock Examinations will be delayed by one week, and students will be given a week of study leave from Monday 4 January – and begin their exams in the week beginning Monday 11 January.

Students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be following their normal timetable remotely, and should be ready to logon at the beginning of their lessons.

Staff will teach their Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 classes remotely from their teaching classroom. Any key-worker students in the year groups who are not in School will follow their normal timetable in their usual classrooms.

It is anticipated that After-School-Care, in both the Junior Department and Senior School, will continue as usual for the year groups on site.

May I thank you for your support and forbearance. It is frustrating when information is not passed on in a timely manner, however, as a School we must respond to Government initiatives – no matter how late in the day we receive them!

May I stress that this is, according to the Government, for one week only.

With every good wish for a peaceful Christmas.

Alan Whelpdale

Headmaster

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